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**STATE OF MICHIGAN
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Introduced by Reps. Van Singel and Knight

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL No. 4020

AN ACT to amend section 11 of chapter III of Act No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1929, entitled as amended "An act to protect fish, reptiles, amphibians, and other aquatic animals in the waters of this state; to regulate the manner of taking, possession, transportation, size, and sale of certain fish, reptiles, amphibians, and other aquatic animals; to provide for the issuing of certain licenses and for the disposition of certain funds; to provide penalties for the violation of the provisions of this act, and to repeal certain acts and parts of acts," as added by Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1984, being section 303.11 of the Michigan Compiled Laws.

The People of the State of Michigan enact:

Section 1. Section 11 of chapter III of Act No. 165 of the Public Acts of 1929, as added by Act No. 317 of the Public Acts of 1984, being section 303.11 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, is amended to read as follows:

CHAPTER III

Sec. 11. (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this act, coho (silver) salmon and chinook salmon may be taken from September 10 to October 25 by means of catching or snagging in the mouth of or on the body of the fish with unweighted double- or treble-pointed hooks not exceeding 3/8-inch from point to shank, unweighted single-pointed hooks not exceeding 1/2-inch from point to shank, or by artificial baits, in the following locations:

- (a) The Sable river between Hamlin dam and the mouth of the Sable river in Mason county.
- (b) The Pere Marquette river between signs located 1/4 mile upstream and 3/4 mile downstream from Scottville bridge in Mason county.
- (c) The big Manistee river between the Tippy dam and signs posted approximately 1 mile downstream from the Tippy dam in Manistee county.

(2) Following the 1985 and 1986 snagging season, the department of natural resources shall conduct a study examining the economic impact caused by the elimination of snagging on the Au Sable river. A copy of the study shall be submitted to the legislature not later than January 25 of 1986 and 1987.

(3) Requirements for permits, licensing, and fees, and limits on the number of coho (silver) salmon and chinook salmon which may be caught, killed, or in possession pursuant to this section shall be the same as requirements provided for the taking of those fish in this act and rules adopted by the commission of natural resources pursuant to section 10 of this chapter and in the hunting and fishing license act, Act No. 86 of the Public Acts of 1980, being sections 316.101 to 316.902 of the Michigan Compiled Laws. In addition, commencing with the 1985 salmon snagging season, a person taking any salmon pursuant to this section shall obtain an annual salmon snagging stamp. The fee for the stamp shall be \$7.25. The proceeds of the sale of the salmon snagging stamp shall be credited to the game and fish protection fund.

(4) The department of natural resources shall manage fisheries on the Pere Marquette river at or above the site of the lamprey blocking weir.

(5) The department of natural resources shall establish coho (silver) salmon and chinook salmon stocking programs in salmon snagging locations to maintain the salmon population and insure the availability of spawning salmon in the salmon snagging locations prescribed in this section.

(6) As used in this section:

(a) "Artificial bait" means a fish lure or fly that is manufactured in imitation of or as a substitute for natural bait, and used to attract and to catch fish.

(b) "Unweighted hook" means a hook to which no weight is attached. Unweighted hook does not include a hook fastened rigidly to an artificial bait by soldering, gluing, wrapping, or similar means.

(7) This section shall not apply beginning 3 years after the effective date of this section.

This act is ordered to take immediate effect.

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Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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Secretary of the Senate.

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Governor.